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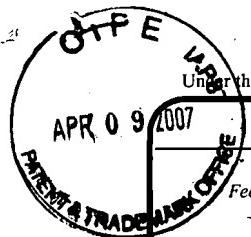
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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2006

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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| | Fee(\$) | Small Entity Fee(\$) | Fee(\$) | Small Entity Fee(\$) | Fee(\$) | Small Entity Fee(\$) | Fees Paid (\$) |
| Utility | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 200 | 100 | _____ |
| Design | 200 | 100 | 100 | 50 | 130 | 65 | _____ |
| Plant | 200 | 100 | 300 | 150 | 160 | 80 | _____ |
| Reissue | 300 | 150 | 500 | 250 | 600 | 300 | _____ |
| Provisional | 200 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | _____ |

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues) Fee(\$) Small Entity Fee(\$)
 Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues) Fee(\$) Small Entity Fee(\$)

Multiple dependent claims Fee(\$) Small Entity Fee(\$)

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| Total Claims | Extra Claims | Fee(\$) | Fee Paid (\$) | Multiple Dependent Claims |
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HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.

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Application No.: 10/520,093
Applicant: Peter Pleyer
Filed: 01/04/2005
Title: VOLUMETRIC METERING DEVICE FOR THE METERED DELIVERY OF GRANULAR AND POWDERY MATERIALS, PARTICULARLY FOR MACHINES FOR DISTRIBUTING SUCH MATERIALS
T.C./A.U.: 3641
Examiner: Christopher J. Novosad
Confirmation No.: 6990
Docket No.: 182683-0002

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED DECEMBER 29, 2006

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on December 29, 2006, please amend this patent application as follows and reexamine the application in view of the amendments and remarks provided.

- Amendments to the Specification** begin on page _____ of this paper.
- Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page _____ of this paper and include enclosed replacement sheet(s).
- Amendments to the Abstract** are on page _____ of this paper. A clean version of the Abstract is enclosed.
- Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 12 of this paper.

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